| MICHIGAN AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMUNITY FIVE YEAR ACTION PLAN | |
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| WORKGROUP NAME: | Neighborhood Revitalization and Community Development |
| DATE: | 10/12/2005 |

WORKGROUP STATUS UPDATES

Status Update - October 12, 2005

Logistics

- Tony Bosbous (C--, Luce, Mackinac, CAA) as CDC representative
- MSU Urban Planning representative
- Review timetable and objectives (MI Affordable Housing Community 5-yr Action Plan Deliverables)

Discussion

- Discussed research findings characteristics of a health community
- Refine additional research needs
- Formulate critical issues
- Added Tony Bosbous to Comprehensive Neighborhood Revitalization Subcommittee
- Identified two key principles:
 - In revitalization of a community, a key indicator of success is sustained private investment with property values appreciating in a way that encourages continued resident investment.
 - A comprehensive strategy is needed that focuses on geographic target areas that have the potential for sustainable market values.
- Challenge: Creating a reliable means of identifying target areas that should be the focus
 of revitalization efforts and resources.
- Need to revitalize unhealthy communities AND keep communities healthy.